





To-day's  
Advertisements.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION,  
On account and risk of the concerned,  
At 11 A.M.,  
TO-MORROW, the 23rd February, 1898.

24 FOUNTAINS  
CHINESE CHARACTERS  
and  
30 Bales PRINTING PAPER each bale containing 10 REAMS, suitable for Printing News Papers.  
Terms.—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [289]

## NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

AMERICAN CITIZENS residing in the CONULAR DISTRICT OF CANTON, which includes SHANSHUI, WUCHOW, MACAO, SWATOW, HOIHOW, and PAKHOI, are REQUESTED to REGISTER at the Consulate either personally or by certificate setting forth the date and place of birth and last residence in the United States.

The advantages of registration are obvious and may prove of value in time of need. There is no fee or charge for registration.  
EDWARD BEDLOE,  
U.S. CONSUL.

United States Consulate,  
Canton, China, 22nd February, 1898. [290]

## SWEETS, SWEETS, SWEETS.

JUST unpacked a FRESH CONSIGNMENT OF CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE SWEETS in large and small boxes of very pretty designs and also loose by the lb.  
CHOCOLATE ALMONDS,  
MACAROONS,  
CRESS,  
&c., &c., &c.

10% DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

H. RUTTONJEE,  
13, D'Almeida Street, Hongkong,  
and  
30 & 31, Elgin Road, Kowloon.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [291]

## "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

## THE Steamship

"LENNOX,"  
Captain Williamson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [292]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

## THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"  
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARLAIR & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [293]

## "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

## THE Steamship

"PATHAN,"  
Captain Day, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 23rd March.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [294]

## THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

## THE Company's Steamship

"OOPACK,"  
Captain J. Barber, will be despatched as above on or about the 24th March.  
For Freight, &c., apply to  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [295]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYDRA,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 24th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [296]

## "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "LENNOX"

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

## CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby informed

that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to suit.  
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
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Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [297]

To-day's  
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL.THE HONGKONG  
AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL GIVE A  
THIRD AND FINAL PERFORMANCE  
OF  
"THE DUCHESS OF BAYSWATER & CO." AND  
"A PANTOMIME REHEARSAL."

SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898.  
Curtain rises at 9 P.M. precisely.

PRICES ..... 3s, 2s, & 1s

Half price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors, and Police in Uniform.

SEATS can be booked at the THEATRE on and after THURSDAY, the 24th February.

Booking Office OPEN from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.  
Late Trains quarter of an hour after fall of curial.

E. W. MITCHELL,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. [288]

## Intimations.

## DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &amp; COMPANY,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

## AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYVADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSRS and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1897. [30]

## TAKE NOTE

IT IS UNIVERSALLY ADMITTED THAT  
O INDICTIONARY can compare with the New Edition of

## WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY.

At the office of the Hongkong Telegraph you can see, and procure for SIX DOLLARS, a Copy of the Webster of Webster's, the latest and most emphatic proof that Labor omnia vincit.

£100,000,000 UNCLAIMED!

DOUGLAS REGISTERED LIST containing names of 10,000 Families advertised for, to claim property and money since 1700.

Price 1s. 6d. post free 2s. Every man and woman should buy it as a book, as instructions are given how to recover property from Chancery.

DOUGLAS & CO., 62, Strand, London, Eng. Est. 1844. A fortune may await you. Will be searched for.

Now READY!

IN HANDY PAMPHLET FORM.

A FULL CAREFULLY REVISED and accurate account of the INTERPORT CRICKET MATCHES.

With a Critique on the Week's play, the Festivities connected with the Carnival and the batting and bowling of the various teams.

Price, 50 CENTS PER COPY.  
Orders will be promptly attended to by  
The Manager  
THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,  
No. 9, Pedder's Hill.  
Hongkong, 20th November, 1897. [173]

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

## WINES &amp; SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the Jugo of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1897. [7]

TO ADVERTISERS.  
Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this paper not later than Three o'clock on the day previous to the day of publication, as the printer will be unable to receive notices after that hour.  
The Hongkong Telegraph has the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East, and it therefore the best medium for Advertisements. Terms can be learnt on application. The Hongkong Telegraph's number at the Telephone Central Exchange is No. 1. Telegraphic address: "Telegraph," Hongkong.

## BIRTH.

At 72, Babbington Wall Road, Shanghai, on the 12th February, the wife of JOHN LIDDELL, of a daughter.

## DEATH.

On board the s.s. *Verona*, between Singapore and Penang, on the 2nd inst., GEORGE CLARK, P. W. D., Malacca, S. S. Singapore papers please copy.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1898.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The *Rosita*, a replica of the *Powerful*, arrived here to-day from St. Petersburg—anchoring, strange to say, at the identical moment when the *Admiral Nachimoff* arrived from Nagasaki, which may be a mere coincidence or may have arisen from a desire to test the possibilities of exactitude in making a rendezvous. The *Rosita* is sent evidently as a set-off against the *Powerful*, now Russia must "see" the *Emulsa*, *Illustris*, and *Barfleur*, and "go one better" if she can. But this she cannot do, even if she counts the German *Geyser* and French *Jean Bart* on her side. And if further reinforcements do come to the Russian and French and German fleets, it will only mean a weakening of their home squadrons, while the British remain at full strength in the Mediterranean and the English Channel.

On the other hand, the Volunteer fleet, and German and French mail steamers include many of the largest and finest merchant cruisers in the East, and they are practically all officered by Navy men. So that we need many more fast cruisers here. Not that we want war, but we cannot allow our interests to be tampered with our vested interests (shared freely by all nations) in the Yangtze Valley; and we cannot trust China to keep her pledges if pressed by other Powers "to break them." Nor can we trust France and Russia to respect our rights if they catch us napping. The Hongkong Navy League should report home that the British force in the East is not yet brought up to the point of complete security.

Dr. CONAN DOYLE is one of the most prominent of the writers who object to the celebration of Trafalgar Day and say it is a gratuitous affront to France. Dr. DOYLE asks, in *The Times*, what the English would think if the French were to celebrate their victory at Fontenoy; he claims that the British nation would writh and rage furiously and make an exhibition of itself. If this should meet the eye of Dr. CONAN DOYLE, we take pleasure in mentioning that all the British warships in harbour to-day were gallantly decorated with bunting and fired salutes in honour of GEORGE WASHINGTON. He was one of the finest men in the whole history of the world, and the British are not the people to grudge any man his due, friend or foe, of whatever nationality. He beat us, and any man who can do that must be a phenomenon. Incidentally, he was an Englishman too!

Mr. WONG YUK-CHO recently published in Hongkong a phonetic system of writing Chinese words, intended to supplant the ideographic system, like the Japanese *kana* and the Korean *immun*—a sort of syllabary, based on ideographic radicals as far as form is concerned, but used purely in the same way as a phonetic alphabet, without regard to the ideographic meanings of the signs. On this the *North China Daily News* and the *Tientsin Times* commented at considerable length, in a favourable strain; and we now have a letter from Mr. WONG YUK-CHO, of Hongkong, requesting us to reproduce a long letter from Mr. WONG YUK-CHO in the *Tientsin Times* praising the system. While cordially sympathizing with all who wish to lift a heavy load from the Chinese race in the struggle for intellectual emancipation, by simplifying the reading and writing of the language, we regret to find that there is absolutely no prospect of success, as far as we can see. The correspondence is more than we can find room to republish; though, if any feasible scheme for ridding the Chinese of their crushing language-handicap could be brought forward, we consider that the matter is important enough to take precedence of almost anything else, in an Eastern newspaper. But we feel certain that the Chinese will never use any writing but the ideographic as long as they remain Chinese. Throughout the Empire there is more innate and effective reverence for the ideograph than for Buddha, Confucius, Meng-tzu, and all the rest. By the ideograph *Wahai* marries the land and maintains their evil influence. By the ideograph and all that pertains to it, the Throne is upheld; and religion, the classics and the moral teachings of sages survive. China is too fast bound up in ideography to change. Even progressive Japan cannot shake herself free from the slavery of the ideograph; the *kana* being hardly ever used alone. Before a knowledge of any syllabary can be grafted on to the Chinese language, a knowledge of an alien tongue, easier to learn and to use, and more useful altogether, will have spread so far through the land as to put the language of China in the same position as that of her political integrity at the present date—existing only on sufferance and certain to disappear, as certain as bows and arrows in warfare.

## TELEGRAMS.

## REUTER'S MESSAGES.

## PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, February 22th.

The House of Commons has voted the Address in reply to the Queen's Speech.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain has received a telegram from the Governor of Lagos, stating that a British force of Hausa troops occupied Bori (in the Lagos hinterland) on the 6th instant, and that the French, arriving there on the 9th instant, ordered the lowering of the Union Jack. This being refused, the French force withdrew and encamped outside the town. The French have also established a military post at Wae, in the hinterland of the Gold Coast, and marched past the British post at Messa, in spite of Major Northcott's protest.

## THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

The British Army Estimates for 1898, as compared with the Estimates for 1897, show an increase of 16,916 rank and file in the establishment, exclusive of India. Of the total number, 285 are officers.

## DEATH OF THE SULTAN OF SELANGOR.

KUALA LUMPUR, February 6th.

The Sultan of Selangor died this morning at ten o'clock.

All flags were hoisted half-mast high.

Sixty guns were fired.

The Sultan died of old age. He leaves \$300,000 in cash, besides jewellery.

The body is being embalmed.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.65 per £.

H.M.S. *Alacrity* left here to-day for the Chusan.

The plague returns from Bombay on the 5th inst. were 170 fresh cases and 154 deaths. On the 1st two European soldiers were attacked with the malady.

The *Extrema Orinda*, in noticing the performance of the A. D. C., refers to the roaring lions of the Hongkong stage as the "Amateur Dramatic Club," and to the impersonator of the Duke as "Mr. Bullock."

The tank steamer *Turbo*, which arrived here to-day from Batavia, sustained some damage to her machinery shortly after leaving Colombo on 3rd inst. when her steam pipe burst and she had to return to port for repairs.

SIR GEORGE WHITE, the Commander-in-chief in India, whilst riding in a paper hunt in Calcutta on 4th inst., was thrown from his horse, breaking his left leg in two places. The bones have been set and the latest advice are to the effect that His Excellency is doing well.

The case of the two privates of the Hongkong Regiment who were charged at this Session with the larceny of twenty-four sovereigns from a comrade was to-day postponed till Thursday at 10 a.m. on account of no interpreters being available. One of the men could not understand Hindustani but could speak Punjabi and the other said that he had an imperfect knowledge of Hindustani and his native dialect was Punjabi.

In honour of the anniversary of the birth of the "father of his country" and the man who never told a lie, to wit George Washington, the American and British warships in port to-day were dressed in bunting from stem to stern. Some of the Yankee Jacks became "glorious" in honour of the occasion and, sad to tell, some of them spent the blessed day in dancing while at the Central for getting into the "strangler" class. At noon the usual salutes were fired.

The Russian cruisers *Rosita* and *Admiral Nachimoff* arrived this afternoon from Singapore and Nagasaki respectively. Both vessels saluted the port and the flag and for a while the expenditure of powder on both sides was "prodigious," as Donal Simpson (not the racing man) would say. Both vessels entered the harbour at the same time, coming in through Lyceum Pass. The *Rosita* bears a very strong resemblance to the *Powerful*, and the fact was much commented upon in naval circles and the moored very close to the big British cruiser.

THE A. D. C. repeated their performance at the Theatre Royal last night and again the house was crowded. The comedietta "Duchess of Bayswater & Co." went off fairly well, but there was a tendency in the actors to indulge in confidential conversation without regard to the fact that an inquisitive audience want to hear what they had to say. Mr. V. A. Cesar Hawkins put in capital work as Sir Jeremy, exciting very hearty laughter and Mr. G. Balloch played the Duke for all he was worth. The "man" Jenkens played his life in part well and could not have looked it any *looker*. The ladies were also as pie but they would not speak up. The "Pantomime Rehearsal" was a treat. It was chock full of fun and safety. Mr. G. A. Caldwell being the principal character. His "My conception of it, dear boy" was enough to tickle old Acherbi himself. The dances by the young ladies were very pretty and the "Oddie Diddle" duet was again heartily enjoyed. Mr. Balloch's martial song was capital and the audience insisted on a recall and the same compliment "as paid to Mrs. Brewster for her pathetic song about 'a little bit of living,' which touched a cord in the heart of the hearer. George Captain Watson helped to make fun in good style as the Wicked Uncle. From start to finish the amateur kept the house convulsed and we thought several times that Mr. Grimbly was going to have an apoplectic seizure. Mr. C. H. Grace was the kingpin of the show and to him and Mr. Caldwell a very large measure of the success of the performance is due. There was nothing wrong with the stage setting and the costuming of the ladies was extremely tasteful. It will please our readers to know that they will have the opportunity of witnessing this exquisite feeding again on Saturday night next, and from our experience, we can advise the early booking of seats.

## THE Amateur Dramatic Club will give another

performance of "The Duchess of Bayswater & Co." and "A Pantomime Rehearsal" on Saturday night. Seats may be booked at the City Hall on and after Thursday.

Two bluejackets belonging to the U.S.S. *Raleigh* jumped overboard and tried to desert by swimming ashore at Colombo. They were carried away by the current and if not drowned were probably seized by the sharks that infest the port.

COLONEL RITALICK (Hongkong Regiment) will lecture to-morrow afternoon, in the City Hall, on "The Habits and Customs of the Sikhs," which will certainly be a most interesting subject, dealt with by a clever raconteur, full of rich experiences. Colonel The O'Gorman will preside at the meeting which is under the auspices of the "Odd Volumes;" visitors, (especially ladies) will be cordially welcomed.

We would remind our readers of the variety entertainment to be given by the dramatic company of H.M.S. *Powerful* at the Theatre Royal to-morrow evening. The performance will conclude with the grand realistic tableaux "Sons of the Ocean" and the laughable farce "Borrowed Plumes." The splendid string band of the *Powerful* will be in attendance and the entertainment bids fair to be a great success.

It is requested that all citizens of United States in the Canton Consular district (which includes the whole of Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces, with the ports of Swatow, Macao, Wuchow, Hoihow, and Pakhoi) will take the precaution of registering at the Canton Consulate, either personally or by letter giving name, present abode, place and date of birth, and last residence in the United States. There is no charge for this formality (whereas British subjects have reason to wonder at the paltry parsimony of their authorities as compared with others) and the advantages are so obvious as to require no explanation. There are indications pointing to a boom in American trade with South China before long, and Dr. Bedloe, the new Consul in Canton, is prepared to do everything a Consul can do to help the development of Commerce.

## HONGKONG &amp; KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

The eleventh ordinary annual meeting of the above Company was held at the office, 4, Praya Central, at noon to-day. The Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving presided and there were present Messrs. N. A. Siah, A. Ross, C. S. Sharp, E. Osborne (Secretary), Ho Tong, Ho Yui, J. Goodman, R. Wilcox, H. Ritchie, G. D. Renning, G. Sharp, E. G. G. Cox, E. S. Wharrier, P. Jordan, G. B. Dodwell and F. D. Dodwell.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the Report and Accounts for the past year have been laid before you for some days and with your permission we will take them up as read. The business of the Company for 1897, taken as a whole, shows improvement on previous years; but we find that year by year as Hongkong becomes less a centre of transshipment to other ports our receipts from this, a most profitable class of work, diminish accordingly. The falling off, it is true, is more than compensated for by new and extended business in other directions, but the substituted work is of a nature which shows small profit and entails proportionately greater work and expense. Apart from this, almost the whole of the increased business has, it may be said, been wreathed from Chinese competitors, and it is gratifying to know that in spite of the severe, and I might almost add, unfair competition, to which we are subject, we have, with the exception of one class of cargo, retained in our hands everything thus acquired. This exception, viz. the handling and storage of Coal, is a subject which has engaged the attention of your Directors, but we find it impossible to improve matters to any extent for the reason that a Public Company cannot resort to those subtle expedients by means of which others, in the same line of business, appear to command so large a measure of success. The New West Point Godown, notwithstanding the low rates for storage accepted elsewhere have been kept profitably filled, and in order to extend business relations with our Chinese supporters, we are erecting further accommodation on the land recently acquired by the Government. As regards the Wanchai Godown, which was recaptured from the Japanese in 1895, I have only to remark that the results have so far fully justified the action of your Board in acquiring them. Turning to a source of revenue, which it may be urged is scarcely within the scope of the Company's operations, you will observe it stated in the Report that we have made further additions to the Chinese Houses at Kowloon. A very few years ago, the land on which these houses stand, and which comprises 1924 square feet was waste ground yielding nothing. It is now bringing in a net yearly rental of \$2800 which, capitalised at 8 per cent, makes the property worth \$35,000. The Company owns 126,153 feet of ground adjoining these houses, and it will be the policy of your Board to develop this portion of your property in a similar manner, so that should the necessity arise, it can be utilized towards the repayment of the Debentures, and this too without seriously interfering with the Company's business. The Assets of the Company, I may again remind you, stand in our Balance Sheet at a very low figure, the buildings and other immovable property at less than the cost of replacing them, whilst the land figures at considerably below its market value to-day. With regard to the Company's indebtedness, outside of Debentures, the amount of which has gradually increased of late years, the whole of the money, I may mention, has been spent in new buildings and other additions to the Company's Assets, all of which are of a remunerative character. When you notice a large sum has been spent in repairs and improvements during the past year, and it has been suggested that some explanation of this may be advisable in view of the statement in our Report for 1897 that \$15,000 was estimated to cover the expenditure for the following year, and that no exceptional outlay would be necessary for some time to come. The explanation is, that the \$15,000 applied more especially to the Wanchai, and in reference to what I stated at our meeting in 1896 and 1897, you will find that my statement on the subject of repairs rendered this more clear. Since then, however, it has been found necessary to overhaul the Godown roofs very extensively, rebuild that of No. 10 Godown. Also owing to the ravages of white ants, which caused, during past years, serious damage to cargo, we have had to cement the floor and at the same time to raise the level of A/B Godown. Many of these so-called repairs might properly be charged to the first cost of the buildings, inasmuch as they are the outcome of constructing faulty Coal sheds in Godowns suitable for the accommodation of valuable goods. The item for repairs with such

## perishable property at wooden Wharves, Tramways, Launches and Lighters must of necessity

always occupy a prominent position in our annual expenditure, but we hope, for some time at least, to keep it at very much less than during the last few years, and should you approve a continuance of the policy of transferring \$15,000 annually from working Account towards Repairs—the balance at credit of Depreciation and Repairs Account will, I anticipate, show satisfactory increase. It does not occur to me to make further remarks but before moving the adoption of the Report and Accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions that you may wish to ask. These are all the remarks, gentlemen, I have to make, and before moving the adoption of the report and balance sheet, I would be glad to give any further information any shareholder may desire.

There being no questions the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Mr. R. C. Wilcox said:—I am sure we have heard with much interest the lengthy speech of our Chairman, and we are glad to find that the prospects of the Company are so good. The shareholders will join me in expressing satisfaction at the increased dividend, and the welfare of the Company and the fact that they may not be suddenly surprised by demands for further heavy sums in meeting these requirements. I have great pleasure in seconding the report.

The motion was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. Ho Yui seconded by Mr. R. C. Wilcox, the appointments of Messrs. A. J. Raymond, G. D. Belling and D. Gubby were re-elected directors and the motion of Messrs. Ho Tong and J. Goodman.

Messrs. Fullerton Henderson and W. H. Poole were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. Granville Sharp seconded by Mr. E. G. G. Cox.

The Chairman:—Gentlemen, that concludes the business of the meeting. I have only to inform you that the dividend warrants will be posted this afternoon.

## GREAT EASTERN &amp; CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

MANAGER'S REPORT.

MOUNT MACDONALD, N.S.W., 23rd January, 1898.







## Intimations.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
MATSUYAMA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA PORTS), and COLOMBO.	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Feb., at Noon.
OMI MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE.	FRIDAY, 25th February, at 4 P.M.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sallage &amp;c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1898.

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GLENESK,"  
Captain T. Drake, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [270]

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

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Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [262]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SINGAN,"  
Captain Jameson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 2 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [280]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA,"  
Captain Taylor, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 5 P.M.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [286]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SOERABAYA AND SAMARANG.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHUNSAUNG,"  
Captain E. J. Butler, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [281]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (FLORIO &amp; RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.

VENICE AND TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

"LETIMBO,"  
Captain Baldo, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at Noon.  
At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.  
For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [277]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

"KWEIYANG,"  
Captain Oulbridge, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [279]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)

"AIRLIE,"  
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 5th March, at Daylight.  
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.  
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.  
A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.  
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [271]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

"CREFIELD,"  
will be despatched as above on or about the 15th March.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MILCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [255]

## Mails.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through bills of lading for the principal places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen	Tuesday	1st March.
Bayern	Wednesday	30th March.
Prins Heinrich	Wednesday	27th April.
Prussia	Wednesday	20th May.
Sachsen	Wednesday	22nd June.
Bayern	Wednesday	20th July.
Prins Heinrich	Wednesday	17th Aug.
Darmstadt	Wednesday	14th Sept.
Prussia	Wednesday	12th Oct.
Sachsen	Wednesday	9th Nov.
Bayern	Wednesday	7th Dec.
Prins Heinrich	Wednesday	4th Jan. '99.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Sommer, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIE AND CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 26th instant. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 28th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 28th inst. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
MILCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1898. [301]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

"COROMANDEL,"  
Captain F. N. Tildard carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 5th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to  
H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [15]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Olympia 1,691 | T. H. Dobson | Mar. 8.  
Columbia 2,605 | A. Gow | April 5.  
Tacoma 2,549 | A. Dixon | April 26.

ALSO FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Drumner 3,601 | E. Porter | Mar. 15.  
Mogul 3,654 | W. H. Wright | Mar. 29.  
Argyll 2,907 | W. Ward | May 3.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line, HONGKONG TO LONDON, &c.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. Doctor and STEWARDNESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, &c.  
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passenger-hong to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA, &c.  
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.  
Special rates allowed to members of Government Service.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

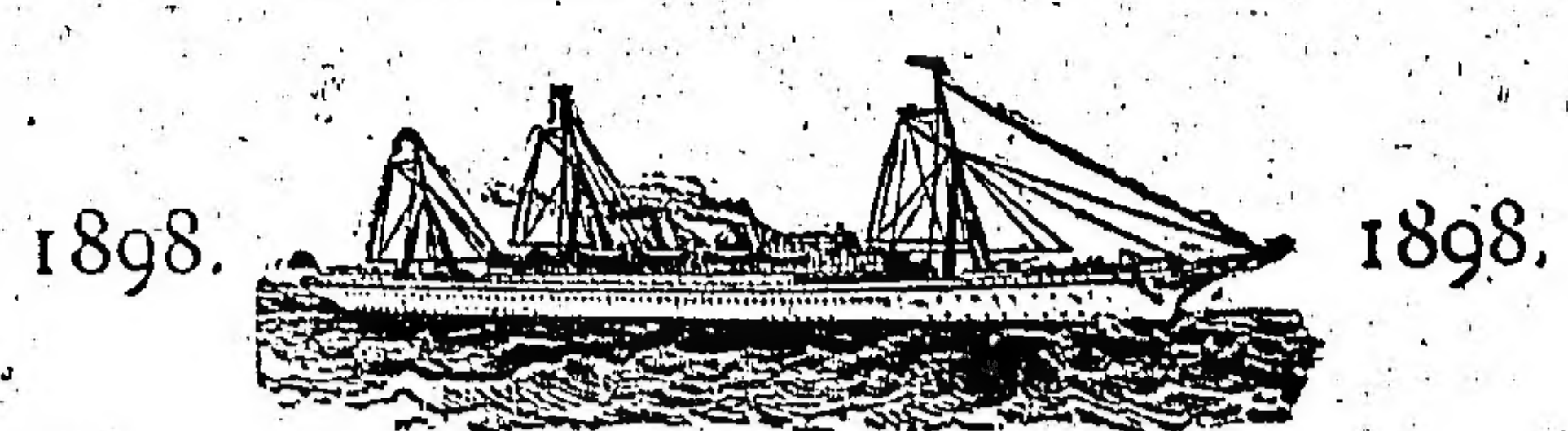
Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898.

## Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)  
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar., 1898.  
EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 6th April, 1898.  
EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1898.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific Journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 11 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Paddy's Street.

HONGKONG, 22nd February, 1898.

OCCIDENTAL &amp; ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 12th March, at Noon.

Gaika (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Thursday, 31st March, at Noon.

Doris (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 19th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 12th March, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 25c in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways; and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898.

F. BLACKHEAD &amp; CO., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

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Sole Agents for FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM and P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1898.

CHS. J. GAUFF &amp; CO.

CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS.

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"LION BRAND."

In Powder and Crystals, also in Drops of gelatin, easily soluble in Water, Wine, &amp;c.

FEVER, RHEUMATIC AND NEURALGIC AFFECTIONS, NERVOUS AFFECTIONS.

ARGONIN.

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SOLUBLE CASEIN-SILVER PREPARATION.

Used in Gonorrhoea to 1 to 2 per cent. solution possesses similar bactericidal action to silver nitrate, but is distinguished by complete absence of irritating properties.

It is requested that the directions on the boxes for making solutions shall be implicitly followed.

CHINA EXPORT, IMPORT &amp; BANK CO., SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA. BEWARE OF SPURIOUS IMITATIONS! [34]

## Dr. OVERLACH'S MIGRAININE

"LION BRAND"

(ANTIPYRINE—CAFFEINE—CITRATE)

(1) Excellent results in the severest cases of migraine, as well as in headache arising from alcohol, nicotine and morphia poisoning, neurasthenia, influenza, grippe, &amp;c.

(2) The best antipyretic, even in threatened collapse, because the caffeine of Migraine acts simultaneously as an analgesic.

Use only Dr. OVERLACH'S MIGRAININE, "Lion Brand," and always prescribe "MIGRAININE HOECHST."

The best medium dose low adults is 17 grains, given once or twice daily in powder or in solution.

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THE MICASTOS FACTORY.

Mr. C. HOLDSWORTH, Superintendent at Works, Sautons Road, Hongkong.

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Exposed Steam Pipes needing extra wrapping and Canvas and tar dressing will be treated with the above Compositions at \$1.05 per superficial square foot.

A Stock of the Compositions is kept ready for sale packed in 6 cwt. casks. Price for ten lots \$100 per ton F.O.B. or in smaller quantities at \$6 per cwt. F.O.B.

All works will be under the personal supervision of Mr. H. Holdsworth and all orders must be sent through the undersigned.

SHEWAN TOMES &amp; CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [240]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship

"MEMNON,"

Captain Megridge, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [281]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"LYDERHORN,"

Captain Hammerus will be despatched as above on or about the 25th instant.

To be followed by the S.S. "ORWELL" on or about the 28th February.

For Freight, &amp;c., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. [113]

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GHAZEE,"

Captain Bailey will be despatched as above on or about the 28th February.

S.S. "PATHAN" about 20th March.

S.S. "LENNOX" " " 10th April.

S.S. "ENERGIA" " " 30th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1898. [63]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NESTOR,"

Captain Asquith, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1898. [267]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

J. EYES FLUID

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AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS &amp; Co., Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1897.